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From: Nancy Priddy [nrpridn@mail.dnr.state.mo.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 08, 2001 5:03 PM

To: Chuck Kroeger; Steve\_Short@ci.springfield.mo.us; Randy\_Lyman@ci.springfield.mo.us

Subject: Groundwater investigations

Thanks for your help. You've told me all I needed to know. There actually is no large VOC plume that we know of now and I probably should have included the word "potential" when I named this "site". My investigation is centered on the Tri-States drycleaning sites in central Springfield. They are both now in the Voluntary Cleanup Program for remediation. The old Solid States Circuits site is also right there among them and they all have (had) chlorinated solvent contamination in wells...PCE and/or TCE. We (Superfund, Site Evaluation Unit) are hoping to answer a couple of questions with our sampling of wells and springs "nearby":

1. Has the contamination at these sites migrated away from the sites and could it be threatening other wells or the

environment?

or, the other way around;

2. Could there actually be a larger plume in the area that has affected these three wells? Either way, I'm hoping to not find anything. But I did want to know what kind of contaminants the monitoring wells in question may be associated with.

So, you've been helpful. Thanks. Chuck, I anticipate finishing this project by the end of March.

Nancy Priddy HWP/Superfund 573/751-8858 nrpridn@mail.dnr.state.mo.us

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Chuck Kroeger [nrkroec@mail.dnr.state.mo.us]

Thursday, February 08, 2001 11:54 AM Sent:

To: Short, Steve; randy\_lyman@ci.springfield.mo.us; Nancy Priddy

Cc: Chuck Kroeger

Subject: Re: FW: Springfield VOC Plume-220 N. Fort

thanks for your information. Nancy I guess this should help--

Steve and Randy, I'll get you copies of the report as it progresses. Right now the plan is to sample springs and caves "near" the downtown area - sort of centering on the old laundry sites looking for perc and, I guess, related voc's.

"Short, Steve" <Steve Short@ci.springfield.mo.us>

"'Chuck Kroeger'" <nrkroec@mail.dnr.state.mo.us> To:

cc:

Subject: FW: Springfield VOC Plume-220 N. Fort

02/08/2001 10:13 AM

My recollection is pretty much the same as Randy's. Sunbelt has been in there in the last couple of years? They disposed of the drill cuttings at the landfill. We may have some analytical from their submittal. The Welding Supply to the southwest removed a large amount of soil about six years ago, and probably could not discount the old railroad maintenance facility across the creek to the north. I will talk to Randy, but I seem to recall a fairly major sewer repair in the vicinity of the spring. is also an abandoned 30"? brick sanitary sewer in that area that has had an "oily, nasty" appearance. Do you have any other information, what VOC, etc.

----Original Message----

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Cc: Short, Steve; Chandler, Karen; Corson, Bob; Pabst, Gene; Schaefer, Bob;

Malter, Ed

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02/05/2001 02:44 PM

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Chuck Kroeger/SWRO/DEQ/MODNR@MODNR

cc:

Subject:

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Nancy Priddy HWP/Superfund 573/751-8858 June 12, 1978

Jerry R. Carter 3401 North Grant Springfield, Missouri 65803

Dear Mr. Carter:

On May 15, 1978, during routine surveillance, personnel from the City's Water Pollution Control Section discovered a pollutant discharge from Southwest By-Product Storage Department located at 220 North Fort. The discharge was flowing from beneath the tank cars to the east of the buildings, across the road and down into Jordan Creek.

Please be advised that such a discharge is in violation of City, State and Federal Water Pollution Control Laws. Be further advised that these laws carry severe penalties for unlawful discharge of water contaminants.

This office would advise you to abate any future discharge, and to dispose of such wastes in a proper waste treatment system. This office maintains periodic surveillance within the corporate limits of the City and will be watching this area closely.

Attached to this letter is a copy of the analysis of the waste being discharged on May 16, 1978.

The City's staff will be happy to meet with you at any time to discuss this or any other disposal problems you might have. If we may be of further assistance or can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours truly,

J. D. Slaughter Water Pollution Control Inspector II Surveillance & Enforcement

Attachment

cc: Robert R. Schaefer, Superintendent of Sanitary Services Charles H. Criswell, Associate Environmental Engineer John R. Nixon, Department of Natural Resources Public Works File

220 N- FORT

# CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI SOUTHWEST WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT LABORATORY ANALYSIS REQUEST

	DATE IN: 5/17/78
SAMPLE DESCRIPTION AND PHYSICAL APPEARANCE:	
Sw By Products (terminal)	
CHECK ANALYSIS DESIRED:	
SUSPENDED SOLIDS 4940 mg/1	Date:
BOD <sub>5</sub> 17500 mg/1	Date:
COD 32.800 mg/1	Date:
pH 1,82	Date:
NH <sub>3</sub> -N 103 mg/1	Date:
PO <sub>4</sub> ORTHOmg/1	Date:
CARBON C <sub>T</sub> 15500 C <sub>I</sub> C <sub>0</sub>	Date:
TOXICITY	Date:
HEAVY METALS(SPECIFY):	
	Date:
OTHER (SPECIFY): Oil + Greece 120 x	ng
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### APPENDIX B

SPILL PREVENTION CONTROL AND COUNTERMEASURE PLANS

FOR

SCUTHWEST BY-PRODUCTS, INC. PLANT WEST FORT AVENUE SITE JUST NORTH OF COLLEGE STREET SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

SPILLS PREVENTION CONTROL AND COUNTERMEASURE PLAN

OWNER: SOUTHWEST BY-PRODUCTS, INC. LOCATION: WEST FORT AVE. SITE

#### DISCUSSION OF FACILITIES:

At present the site contains three vertical tanks with approximately 14,700 gallons capacity each and two horizontal tanks with approximately 9300 gallon capacity. Four vertical tanks with capacities of 11,000, 10,960, 10,575, and 14,700 gallons are to be moved to this site from the main plant area on North Grant Street Road.

The site is located on the south bank of Jordan Creek approximately 50 feet from the bank edge. Jordan Creek is a low flowing creek except during periods of heavy rainfall.

A retention pond has been built on the west side of the site. This pond would collect any leakage from the west tanks; however the eastern tanks would drain toward the creek and to the east.

#### PLAN DISCUSSION:

The whole basis for this SPCC Plan is on the material being stored in these tanks. The tanks contain animal fat or grease. This material has the characteristic that it solidifies at a temperature of about 100° F. This fat will float on the surface of water as a solid and can be removed. This is a favorable characteristic; however the problems associated with completely cleaning up Jordan Creek after a large spill would be enormous.

We believe that the best plan is to prevent any spillage from entering Jordan Creek. The most economical method is to construct a retaining fence along the south bank of Jordan Creek in conjunction with an earth berm on the east. This fence can be built for a sufficient distance between the facility and the creek to insure containment of the fat by the fence, the retention pond to the west and the proposed earth berm to the east.

The total length of fence involved would be approximately 200 feet. A sketch of the site is enclosed in Figure 2 showing possible fence location. The fence can be constructed of vertical posts with corrugated metal siding attached horizonally to the posts. A detail of the fence and berm is included on Figure 3.

Should a major spill occur, this structure should contain the fat and provent any reaching Jordan Creek. An exception would be if a tank fell toward the fence. This type of catastrophe failure would very likely result in a spill into Jordan Creek.

Should some fat enter Jordan Creek we'propose the following steps be taken:

- 1] Notification of person within firm responsible for oil spill prevention and cleanup.
- 2] Action should begin imediately by a spill cleanup crew to contain the floating tallow on Jordan Creek. This can be accomplished by having wire mesh that can be spread across the Creek to block the solids.

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#### APPENDIX B CONT:

- The members of this crew should be aware of this responsibility and have their equipment stored in an accessible place for immediate use. The creek should also be scouted and several locations spotted with good access to place the mesh barriers.
- Begin cleanup operations as soon as possible. Suitable equipment should be available to facilitate removal of the solid tallow from the water surface.
- Should a spill occur, the Environmental Protection Agency should be notified at 816/374-3778 and also the Missouri Clean Water Commission at 314/751-3241. The following information should be provided to these agencies:
  - a. Is cleanup started?
  - b. Type material spilled.
  - c. Existing weather conditions.
  - d. Name of stream receiving pollutants.
  - e. Where is the spill?
  - f. Amount of material spilled.
  - g. Time spill occurred.
  - h. Extent of damage.
  - i. Responsible party.

This plan will require a written commitment of manpower, equipment and materials to isolate the tallow spilled to the stream and to collect and remove it from the water. This commitment letter should be placed with this spill plan,

A bulletin should be posted at this site giving the persons to be notified should a spill occur.

A good spills prevention program must also contain provisions for periodic integrity testing of the storage tanks. Generally this could be accomplished by visual inspection of the welds and look for any signs of deterioration of the tank metal.

We believe that the facility will comply with the appropriate guidelines as spelled out in The Federal Register dated December 11, 1973, Volume 38, Number 237, Part II, as soon as the provisions in this report are implemented.

220 N. Port





